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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

BASKIN, Dale et al.

Application No.: 09/818,086

Filed: March 26, 2001

For: METHODS OF DETERMINING  
THE PRESENCE OF  
POLYNUCLEOTIDES  
EMPLOYING AMPLIFICATION

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) Group Art Unit: 1637  
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) Examiner: TUNG, Joyce  
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**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Applicants now respond to the Office Action mailed March 27, 2006 ("Action").

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following remarks. Applicants request reconsideration and withdrawal of all outstanding rejections.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.